Obituary

Nadine Kelsey, daughter of Averil Z. and M. Mae (Bogard) Thomas, was born on February 1, 1925, in Avoca, Nebraska. She passed away on Sunday, February 15, 2004, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska. She had attained the age of 79 years and 14 days. In 1928, when Nadine was three, the Thomas family moved to Shenandoah, Iowa. She attended the Shenandoah Schools and graduated from Shenandoah High School with the Class of 1942. On May 21, 1947, Nadine was united in marriage to Robert M. Kelsey in Shenandoah. To this union was born one son, Kent T. Kelsey. Nadine and Bob celebrated 56 years of marriage in 2003. Her entire business career was spent working in Shenandoah. She began working for John Cutter as his secretary during high school. During World War II, Nadine worked as a secretary at Mount Arbor Nurseries and was a secretary to an officer in charge of the Japanese prisoners of war camp in Clarinda, Iowa. She worked many years at KMA Broadcasting as an accountant until her retirement. Nadine enjoyed sports and especially enjoyed watching Kent compete. She was an avid golfer and bowler. Nadine had a passion for music and was known for her various musical talents.

Preceding Nadine in death were her parents, and an infant niece, Kathy Jo Dinville. Survivors include her husband Bob Kelsey of the home; son, Kent Kelsey and his wife Betsy and their son, Scott, all of West Des Moines, IA; a sister, Eileen Dinville and her husband, Joe of Shenandoah, IA; numerous nieces and nephews; other relatives and many friends.

Services entrusted to:
Hackett-Livingston Funeral Home
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